



# St. Patrick's Catholic School News

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**2015**

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**Parish Priest:** Fr Joe Stack.  
**BOT Chairperson:** Kyle Owens.

*Kia ora Parents, Guardians and Children,*

The Charism for this week is:

## STEWARDSHIP



Often we think that we know what is going on in each others lives and so therefore can become judgemental about how we perceive each other's actions or inactions.

However it is not until you have walked in their shoes that you really understand what it is, to be a steward.

### Flexible Learning Environment 7<sup>th</sup> September 2015



**See you at our Community Mass**  
**this Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> September @**  
**10am**



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### TERM DIARY

<b>Wk 8</b>	Fri 11 <sup>th</sup> Sep: <b>Grand Parents Day : Special Mass @ 9:15am</b> TA InterSchools X Country. 1:45pm afternoon Assembly / Concert
<b>Wk 9</b>	Sun 13 <sup>th</sup> Sep: <b>Community/Parish Mass @ 10am</b> Mon 14 <sup>th</sup> Sep: Prayer Ass 8:55am-CH: Kindness Y7/8 Inquiry Week - Sports Camp @ Totara Springs Christian Centre. Tues 15 <sup>th</sup> Sep: Rural Hockey Tourn Y2-5, 9-2:30pm - Hamilton Wed 16 <sup>th</sup> Sep: Rural Hockey Tourn Y6-8, 9-2:30pm - Hamilton Fri 18 <sup>th</sup> Sep: TA Schools Kapahaka Festival Team 3 Assembly, Hall Team 2, Assembly (R5-7)
<b>Wk 10</b>	Mon 21 <sup>st</sup> Sep: Prayer Ass 8:55am-CH: Kindness Tue 22 <sup>nd</sup> Sep: Team 3 Wearable Arts Show 6pm in the hall Wed 23 <sup>rd</sup> Sep: Parent Ed Evening - Reading 5:30-6:30pm Thu 24 <sup>th</sup> Sep: Technology at TAI, 8.30am-12.30pm Fri 25 <sup>th</sup> Sep: Last Day of Term 3. School Mass @ 9:15am Whole School Assembly @ 2pm
<b>Wk 1</b>	<b>TERM 4</b> Mon 12 <sup>th</sup> Oct: School opens for Term 4

Please check the online version of the school calendar by following the link: [http://www.stpatta.co.nz/1/embedded\\_items/1-school-calendar](http://www.stpatta.co.nz/1/embedded_items/1-school-calendar) as this is updated as events or changes come to hand.

### A quote from St Mary of the Cross MacKillop

'Trust in God who helps you in all things.'

10<sup>th</sup> March 1874

St Mary of the Cross

MacKillop.....

Pray for us.



**REMINDER**  
**TOMORROW IS GRANDPARENTS DAY**  
**Begins with Mass @ 9:15am**

**Our Vision:** 'To provide 21<sup>st</sup> century learning in a Catholic environment which empowers children to strive for excellence'.

*'Empowered today for tomorrow's world'*

## BOOK FAIR OPENS TODAY!

Did you see the pamphlet that came home yesterday ? The Annual Book Fair opens today (after school from 2:30pm) is open all day on Grandparent's Day (tomorrow) and will also be during the following week until Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> September (before school & from 2:30pm). ***This is an ideal time to buy early Christmas presents!!!***

### GRANDPARENT'S DAY TOMORROW...

Come join us tomorrow....

- Mass @ 9:15am
- Morning Tea
- Morning in the classrooms
- Lunch (BYO) – share with grandchildren
- 1:45pm – Afternoon Assembly / Concert

### HUI KATORIKA – A celebration of Catholic

**Character....** What a great day we had yesterday with 10 other schools here participating in Drama, Speeches, Religious Questions and Scripture Reading. It was great too, to have Bishop Steve here all day enjoying the talents of our young people. It was a real pity that there were so few of our parents here supporting our students – you missed a great day especially as you missed seeing the huge talent of the young people in our Catholic Schools.

### Pastoral Care – the freezer is getting

**empty!....** It's that time of year again when we are asking for people to cook up some meals that can be frozen and then given out to families in need or crisis. There is frozen meat in the freezer, so all you need to do is come into the school office, pick up some meat, cook it up into a tasty meal, place the meal in an ice-cream container, label what it is and the date prepared, and return it to school (frozen would be great).

### Inquiry Week next week !

Our Y7/8's are involved in an inquiry week next week, with groups going to : Sports Camp at Totara Springs, Waikato University (IT/ Robotics), a walking group that will tramp in Pirongia and the Hakataramea, a Te Ao Maori group (visiting local places of importance to Maori), and an Equestrian group that will visit local stables. It's going to be a great week for our Y7/8's.

**Wearable Arts Evening – Team 3.** Please mark your calendars for this event which will be on Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> September at 6pm in our hall, Watch out for further details.

### Wellington Camp (T4) 2015 – Fundraisers

**Sileni Estate Wine Fundraiser.** An order form was enclosed with last week's newsletter or contact : [elaine@cnca.co.nz](mailto:elaine@cnca.co.nz)



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These can be dropped off at school down the main driveway by Bibi's shed and the skip bins. Our students can carry them from there.

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### Agricultural Day 2015...

Spring is almost here and it is time to start thinking about Agricultural Day 2015. Our school date will be Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> October (Week 1 of Term 4), with Group Day on 22<sup>nd</sup> October. Entry forms are available from the office and will be accepted with the \$5.00 entry fee. Happy bonding!



**Past Students doing well...**A number of our past students have been selected to trial for the:

**'Waikato U14 & U15 Quadrangular Tournament.'**

From here the coaches will select the Waikato U14-U15 Representative Teams, fingers crossed for our past students. Named...Keiton Macdonald, Marihi Hohepa-Te Huia, Jake Russ, Western Tauroa.

**Best of luck guys, show 'em what you're made of..!!**

### Lost!

- Azaria Peters has lost her school jersey, 'A.Peters' on the tag.
- X2 P.E Shorts and X2 P.E Shirts named 'Atkinson'
- School jersey named 'Judah Smith'

**Please return any of these items to the school office.**

## PTA NEWS



### MID YEAR DISCO

What a good turnout for this fundraiser, all profits will go towards the Yr 7 & 8 Wellington Camp!

WE raised approx. \$450.00 !!!



**Abacus Calendar Art Fundraiser...**Reminder!! These are due (your child's art and orders) back at school by next Friday, 18<sup>th</sup> September 2015, so they can be ordered and back to you in time for Christmas.

## SPORTS NEWS

### Current Students doing well...

- **NZ Harlequins U13's open weight.**  
3 children from the Te Awamutu region have been selected for the NZ Harlequins Representative Team, and our student Jahvani Growe-Iolesi was one of them. *Awesome effort Jahvani, best of luck!*
- **2015 Waikato Roller Mills Waikato Squad...**Well done to Harry Russ who has been chosen to be part of this team. The Roller Mills Tournament has started and will continue until finals 3<sup>rd</sup> October 2015.  
*Yay Harry, you rock...! Go get 'em..!*
- **Year 5 Regional Representative Rugby...** Well done to Mac Russ, Cooper Blackwell, Cooper Rush, Matt Henderson and Regan Linehan. Our boys will compete in a regional tournament this coming weekend at Ohaupo.
- **Awesome work boys!...GO TE AWAMUTU..!**  
Regan Linehan has also been selected for a 10<sup>th</sup> Grade representative team competing in a 2 day tournament against an Australian team later this month.  
*GO New Zealand..!*



**Junior Mixed Touch...**starts in Term 4; we are getting teams sorted now ready for action next term. The junior Grades for this module will be split into years 3&4, 5&6, 7&8 all teams are mixed. If your child has not already put their name forward to participate the forms are available from the office. All slips **MUST** to be returned to the office by the date given on the notices. **NO LATE RETURNS** will be accepted, this avoids unnecessary stress for the school and the club involved trying to accommodate late entries.

**Indoor Netball & Soccer...**This module is under way now with only a few weeks left.

God bless

Brian Belczacki  
Principal

## ST PATRICK'S PARISH

### St Patrick's Catholic Church - Te Awamutu

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### Mass Times

#### Weekday Masses

Wednesday to Friday @ 9.15am

Holy Hour: After 9:15am Mass with

Benediction around 10:30am

### Weekend Masses

**Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> September 2015**

**24<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary time**

**Vigil Mass @ 5:30pm (Saturday)**

**SUNDAY MASS**

**COMMUNITY MASS @ 10AM**

Gospel Reading: Luke 15:1-32

*'I tell you, there will be more rejoicing in heaven over one repentant sinner than over ninety-nine virtuous men who have no need of repentance.'*

## COMMUNITY NEWS



### Te Awamutu AFC Holiday Programme - October 2015



This is an opportunity for kids to have fun and practice their football (soccer) skills over the holiday break.

**Who?** Any child aged 6-12 years

**Where?** Te Awamutu Stadium, Armstrong Ave.

**When?** 2nd and 9th of October - 9:00am to 3pm each day.

**How much?** \$20 per player per day

**What do you need to bring?**

- Enough food for morning tea and lunch.
- Football boots, socks, shin pads, any coloured shirt and shorts, a drink bottle, clothes to keep warm before and after the programme.

**Who is coaching?** We have adult supervision and all coaches have recently completed New Zealand Football coaching courses. Funds raised from the programme will be used to help cover costs to install lights for Junior Player training at Sherwin Park.

To register for any or all of the dates contact [dthall@slingshot.co.nz](mailto:dthall@slingshot.co.nz)

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